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New Propaganda Line

1. Miho Marinko, Secretary of the Politburo of Slovenia, at a recent meeting of trusted Party members in Ljubljana, revealed a new propaganda approach designed to convince the Slovenes that the loss of Trieste, Gorizia and Carinthia was the result of connivance by the Western Powers coupled with "political sabotage" on the part of the Soviets.

Criticism of Yugoslav Policy

2. Three Liberation Front (OF) members, at a meeting in Vic, a suburb of Ljubljana, dared to voice the opinion that Yugoslavia's main fault lay in complete dependence on Soviet leadership. A certain Zerjal,* one of the members, stated that a more conciliatory policy toward the Western Powers preceding the peace conference would have accrued to the advantage of Slovenia. The Party immediately arrested Zerjal and the other two speakers as traitors in the employ of Western imperialists.

Political Prisoners Construct Fortifications

3. Political prisoners from concentration camps are being dispatched to build trenches, anti-tank fields and concrete emplacements on the Hungarian frontier and in the Vojvodina area. The regime thus hopes to strengthen its control over the infiltration of Cominform agents.

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* Comment: Possibly identical with Stanislav Zerjal, a Slovene priest.

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